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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:

Application of Osamu UCHINO and Shun NAKAMURA

Entitled "TIRE"

Assignee: BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION

Our Ref. Q65009

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto for filing are the application papers identified above comprising sixteen (16) sheets of the specification, including ten (10) claims and an Abstract of the Disclosure, and two (2) sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment documents will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED

\$740.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$740.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge any difference or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is also attached.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 is claimed from November 9, 2000, based on Japanese Application No. 2000-341,910. The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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